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School campus supervisor arrested

Fremont Elementary staff member accused of inappropriate touching

Riverside, CA -- A campus supervisor at Riverside's Fremont Elementary School was arrested Wednesday, November 28, on a single count of lewd behavior with a child under Section 288.a of the California Penal Code. Since the arrest on campus about noon yesterday, Riverside Police Department school resource officers have been made aware of five additional allegations, which are being investigated.

Dennis Edward LUCAS, Jr., 39, of Moreno Valley, was employed by the Riverside Unified School District in a general security role as a campus supervisor at Fremont since November 2004. He was hired by RUSD as a part-time substitute custodian in July 2002. RUSD placed Lucas on administrative leave upon his arrest.

According to the 10-year-old female victim, Lucas struck up a conversation with her on campus, on Tuesday, November 27, and proceeded to touch her private areas through her clothes, while touching himself through his clothes. There was no alleged skin-to-skin contact.

Anyone with information helpful to this investigation is asked to call Riverside Police Detective James Dana at (951) 353-7121.



Dennis Edward Lucas Jr.

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